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CANCER TREATMENT

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir,

This paper is responsive to the most recent Office Action on the merits, dated July 15, 2003, for which a response is due October 15, 2003. Accordingly, this paper is timely filed.

Careful consideration has been given to the analysis made by the Examiner in the Office Action. The following amendments and remarks place the application in better condition for allowance or appeal. Applicant requests entry of this paper into the application, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.116(b).

This response is being filed within the first two months of the mailing date of the Action. In the event that the application is not allowed, applicant requests an Advisory Action, in accordance with MPEP § 706.07(f).